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In re Application of: )  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

This is in response to the Office Action dated May 6, 2003 (Paper No. 17). Kindly Amend the above-referenced application as follows.

**Amendments** to the claims are reflected in the claim listing, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.